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re Application of: David Prokop

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For: Ergonomic Handle

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

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TO THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARKS:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action dated September 14, 2004. Applicant is responding within the second month of the allowable 3 month shortened statutory period for reply.

REMARKS

1-2. The remarks are responsive to the Office Action dated September 14, 2004. For the above identified application. Reconsideration for the application in view of the following remarks is requested. Claims 1-21 are pending in the application. Claims 1-21 are rejected. The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-6, 8-13, and 15-20 under 35 USC § 102 as being unpatentable over prior art. The Examiner has rejected Claims 1-6, 8-13, and 15-20 under 35 USC § 102(b) as being unpatentable over Briddell, US Patent Des. 229,739 on the basis that each of the elements claimed has being anticipated by Briddell. An ergonomic handle structure for a tool is disclosed, the tool being a knife, the handle